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 For: STABLE RECOMBINANT YEASTS FOR FERMENTING XYLOSE TO ETHANOL

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed 2 October 2003. A one month extension of time was previously requested, extending the period of response from 2 January 2004 to 2 February 2004. The two-month extension requested herein extends the date on which the period of response is set to expire from 2 February 2004 to 2 April 2004.

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The undersigned hereby certifies that this paper is being transmitted by facsimile in accordance with 37 CFR §1.6(d) to the Patent and Trademark Office, addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop AF, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 2nd day of April, 2004, at _____ (Central Time).

Respectfully submitted for
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